

Quotes from The RBH Network



**Reinhard Junker, Senior Advisor
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Development**

“The concept of due diligence is not well known yet. We see an urgent need to support companies and partner countries, and this is why we are promoting The RBH Network as one of our flagship support measures.”



Tanja Lindell, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia

“We can see that the RBH’s services are very well received in Serbia and that more and more companies are seeking our support.”



**Sheikh H M Mustafiz, Chairman
Standing Committee on Sustainability BGMEA**

“Aligning with German and EU Due Diligence laws is a top priority for our association, as we aim to lead in compliance with upcoming customer market regulations.”



**Fazlee Shamim Ehsan,
Executive President BKMEA**

“The RBH Network is extremely important for us. We can gather knowledge from associations and chambers around the world and share it with our stakeholders.”

Contact

Do you have questions, would you like to contact a local helpdesk or are you interested in setting up a new helpdesk in your country?

We look forward to hearing from you!



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A network of support on
human rights and environ-
mental due diligence



The RBH Service Portfolio

1. **Advice for companies and business associations on Human Rights and Environmental Due Diligence (HREDD)** based on the common UN Guiding Principles and OECD guidances on Responsible Business Conduct.
2. **Referral to existing training and consultancy of HREDD service providers** based on the specific questions and needs of businesses.
3. **Raising awareness and fostering dialogue on HREDD** through (online) seminars, events, training series or round tables.
4. **Provision of information on HREDD** through learning materials, FAQs, tools, and translations of relevant policies/regulations.

Background

There is growing momentum in many European countries to introduce mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence (HREDD). Regulations like the German Supply Chain Act and the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD) oblige companies to prevent and remediate negative effects of their operations on people and the environment.

The network of Responsible Business Helpdesks (RBH) is a support structure, which informs, sensitizes, and advises local companies on these regulations and sustainable supply chains in general.

The RBH are hosted by local business organisations and their service portfolio depend on local needs and challenges. The Network is supported by The Initiative for Global Solidarity (IGS) on behalf of the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

The RBH Network

The RBH are members of a cross-country and cross-sectoral network, which is facilitated by IGS. The RBH Network provides peer-to-peer and expert learning as well as various networking opportunities by getting connections to multinational enterprises or international policy actors. The RBH Network works on common positions on HREDD,

takes them to the policy level and offers North-South exchange formats. Through the RBH Toolkit, the RBH can exchange knowledge, best practices and lessons learned. The Toolkit creates a replicable RBH model and fosters a common understanding on HREDD throughout the The RBH Network.

